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PATENT
Docket No. 150.01180102

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Brian A. Vaartstra) Group Art Unit: 2825
Serial No.: 10/771,050) Examiner: Calvin Lee
Confirmation No.: 1527)
Filed: February 3, 2004)
For: METHODS FOR PLANARIZATION OF METAL-CONTAINING SURFACES
USING HALOGENS AND HALIDE SALTS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Mail Stop Amendment
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on the page entitled "Amendments to the Specification."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."